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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed February 22, 2002, said period of response being extended from May 22, 2002 to July 22, 2002.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$200.00 to cover the required extension fee for a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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